

**The Middle Classes, Civil Society and Democracy:  
The Post-war Taiwan Experience**

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This paper aims to explore and examine the triple links of middle class, civil society organizations, and various phases of democracy-making in post-war Taiwan.

I will examine them in both historically and sociologically. This paper is intended to review and reflect my own previous research findings on middle class, civil society and democratization in the past 20 some years by theorizing the triple links in the context of Taiwan since 1980s.